

OUTA SPACE

NEWSLETTER

ROTARY E-CLUB OF SOUTH AFRICA D9270

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October is Vocational Service Month.

I have received a few more "About Me's" and also a few reports on the Vocational challenge where the pairs of members have made contact with each other. Please do not be shy to share your stories.

But I would presume that many of you have not made any contact with your Vocational partner as yet, but of course we are only halfway to the deadline date of 31st October 2012, for making contact. If you think you have been paired off with a stranger, then all the more reason to make contact. Please let me know if you encounter any problems when trying to make contact.

I need to remind you that in 5 weeks time we will need to elect a President Nominee to succeed President Elect Irene Kotze in the 2014/15 Rotary year. It seems so far away but time waits for no one.

President-Elect Irene will also be thinking of her Board for next year. And expect some new faces in the various positions. The very essence of Rotary is ROTATION so when a new Board member is appointed it does not mean that the present incumbent did not do a good job. Every member should want to accept the responsibility of chairing one of the Avenues of Service or holding the position of Secretary or Treasurer.

Please make a diary note – Thursday 22nd November - Year end function - Foundation celebration, Short AGM, F2F and our SECOND ANNIVERSARY and a farewell to our 4 Outbound STEP students who will each do a short presentation. You will receive an Invitation by E-mail shortly – please reply promptly to assist the organizers.

*Have Fun
Gerald Sieberhagen - Editor*

Please remember that it is the responsibility of each Rotarian to introduce prospective Rotarians.

Rotarians should always be on the lookout for suitable projects that would be suitable for our E-Club to undertake.

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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

24th – Michael Chen

25th – Gordon Dowsett

ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

NONE

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES TO DIARISE:

2012

16th October – WORLD FOOD DAY

24th October – WORLD POLIO DAY

27th October – Basic PRLS

22nd November – AGM / 2nd Anniversary / Foundation / F2F – Dinner / Get together / Year-end celebration / STEP farewell

2013

23rd February – PEACE FORUM conducted by our Club

23rd February – Rotary International 108th Anniversary Celebration

9th to 11th May – ROTARY FAMILY HEALTH DAY

17th & 18th May – Last District Conference of D9270 – venue Sibaya

23rd to 26th June – Rotary Convention in Lisbon.

1st July – Merger of Districts 9320 & 9270 to form a new District 9370

2014

8th WORLD ROTARY CRICKET FESTIVAL in NOTTINGHAM UK in JULY
Hopefully SA IFCR will have a full team attending this Festival – Great Fun always

2019

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN DURBAN from 6th to 12th JUNE

Poor and content is rich, and rich enough.

William Shakespeare

GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

A very successful event was held at Ekuthuleni Primary school – see page 7.



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World Food Day – see Page 5 for more about what you can do to be part of this day.

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Peace Day/Forum

For logistical reason the date for this event has been moved to 23rd February 2013 which of course is a very significant date in the Rotary calendar. 108 years of existence in 2013.

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World Polio Day

We still have END POLIO NOW stickers for sale and these will be used as an ongoing project throughout the next 12 months. With November being Rotary Foundation Month it would be a good time to be proactive about raising funds for the END POLIO NOW campaign. Let me know if you need stickers. This is an ideal project for some more of our EXOTICS to get involved.

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East Coast Radio Toy Story

Requests for Toys and food parcels are being received thick and fast – please do not wait until the last moment to submit your realistic requests.

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ONE OF THE BEST ONE-LINERS I'VE HEARD IN A LONG TIME.

One of the discussion topics in Rotary's LinkedIn is: If Husbands & Wives are both members of Rotary they should get a reduced rate.

And the most recent response was: **Rotary is not a supermarket where you buy one and get one free!**

ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will

- 1. Exemplify the core value of integrity in all behaviours and activities**
- 2. Use my vocational experience and talents to serve in Rotary**
- 3. Conduct all of my personal, business, and professional affairs ethically, encouraging and fostering high ethical standards as an example to others**
- 4. Be fair in all dealings with others and treat them with the respect due to them as fellow human beings**
- 5. Promote recognition and respect for all occupations which are useful to society**
- 6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community**
- 7. Honour the trust that Rotary and fellow Rotarians provide and not do anything that will bring disfavour or reflect adversely on Rotary or fellow Rotarians**
- 8. Not seek from a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship**



Tips for clubs and districts - Social media

1. View websites and social media as part of your public relations and marketing budget. Your online presence should not be an isolated expense or something for the "techie" person of the club to work on alone. It should have the club's support, with several Rotarians involved.
 2. Develop a communications plan. This includes identifying an intended audience (e.g. prospective Rotarians, community leaders), goals (e.g., to let the community know what your club does, to find new members), and a message or point of view (e.g., "We're a club that has a signature project," "We're a club that offers fun fellowship and service opportunities").
 3. Update your club website or social media sites regularly with news stories about Rotary. Updating your website shows people that your club is active. Ask several club members (perhaps your committee chairs) to share the responsibility of updating your page. To update your sites, you can use items from your club's newsletter, from your district, or Rotary International's website at www.rotary.org.
 4. Designate a website administrator. Ensure that you have one or two members in your club who have the skills to effectively manage your website.
 5. Look and act professional. Your club website and social media sites reflect both your club and Rotary International. Check your spelling, and use the Rotary emblem correctly. See www.rotary.org/graphics. Keep the focus positive and don't air grievances publically.
 6. Reach out to other community organizations, especially potential project partners. Also connect with the news media and with local business and government leaders on Twitter and Facebook.
 7. Promote your social media pages. Include links to them on your club's website, in e-mails, and in print publications.
 8. Review Rotary's 'Best Web Design Practices' to get the most out of your club and/or district website. **Copy and paste this web address for more information**
http://www.rotary.org/en/mediaandnews/multimedia/graphics/Pages/web_design.aspx
 9. Download Rotary images for free for your website. **Copy and paste this web address for more information**
<http://images.rotary.org/netpub/server.np?quickfind=&catalog=catalog&site=Rotary&template=search.np>
 10. Use Rotary ads to promote programs and attract new members. **Copy and paste this web address for more information**
<http://www.rotary.org/EN/MEDIAANDNEWS/MULTIMEDIA/GRAPHICS/Pages/Webads.aspx>
- Also look at the following at www.rotary.org**
- Rotary Media Center
 - Online Training
 - Rotary E-Learning Center
- Other Resources:**
- Telling your story resource kit
 - Membership Development Resource Guide
 - Club Assessment Tools
 - The Club President's Manual
 - The Club President's Monthly Checklist
 - Be a Vibrant Club: Your Club Leadership Plan
 - Rotary Social Media video
 - Buy other resources from the Rotary shop and much more!



FoodBank South Africa

Tickets now on sale for 'Noughty' Party!



How about a party at which you will spend exactly **nought** on drinks, **nought** on petrol or taxi fare, **nought** on babysitters, glad rags and your hair? What about a party for which your host spends exactly **nought** on the venue, on catering, on DJs and on waiters - and no tip is expected?

That's just what FoodBank SA is offering this World Food Day, 16 October 2012, but don't worry if you miss the 16th – any day this week will do.

We're asking you to **buy a ticket to FoodBank's Noughty Party--the non-event of the year!**

When you buy a R170 ticket, we'll waste exactly **nought** on organising a party. Instead we'll use 100% to provide 100 meals to hungry South Africans who are food insecure and for whom dinner is regularly a non-event.

OK, so you won't actually get to go to a party. Instead, you'll get the satisfaction of knowing that you've cost effectively helped 100 people. And you can have dinner with your family or watch your favourite TV show instead of making forced conversation with strangers and listening to someone else's idea of good music. Best of all, you won't risk facing a breathalyser or a hangover!

Take this unique chance to be Noughty AND Nice! Buy your ticket to FoodBank's 'Noughty' Party by going to www.foodbank.org.za and following the instructions to donate R170 (or more--you're welcome to 'bring' as many dates as you like to our non-event!)

"Noughty" Party - buy your ticket here

YOU CAN'T BUY TICKETS HERE BUT YOU CAN BUY TICKETS on www.foodbank.org.za.

The 16th October 2012 is also World Food Day.

So what do you think? Are you all prepared to support Foodbank (think of our member Patrick Andries who toils away at Foodbank day after day) in this NON F2F?

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Irene Kotze (pictured on the right) continues to find ways of making a difference in our communities. Pictured above is PHF Maureen Stacey who runs a sewing club in Cato Crest. Irene arranged a party for the sewing group and some Gogo's and treated them with sumptuous goodies and also gave each of them a lovely blanket. This was such a meaningful event.



News

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Recognition for Karin Hubbard:
The Rotary E-Club of South Africa recognised Karin Hubbard as a Paul Harris Fellow on Friday, 10 August, at Siyabonga Care Village. This is the highest award that a Rotary Club can bestow upon a person. Karin received the award because, in the work that she has undertaken over the years, she has epitomised the Rotary's motto of "service above self". She has assisted many – the elderly, the handicapped, the ill, and those less fortunate – and made a difference in their lives. John Fannin of the Rotary E-Club hands over the Paul Harris Fellow certificate to Karin. PHOTO: JUNE FANNIN

John Fannin continues to obtain excellent coverage in the Weslander with his newsy stories and accompanying photos. No doubt June needs much credit for always being on hand to take a photo. Well done John.

MARINA LOPYROVA – my About Me partner. We are now Linkedin but still not on email terms!! Quite a challenge finding out about our Ukraininan member. Maybe some of you Skypers may give it a go. GS



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GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY AT EKUTHULENI PS

Sambulo Khalala and his teachers and pupils were all geared up for the Global Handwashing Day at the school on 15th October. We are producing a video of the proceedings and I must be honest when I say that instead of taking some photo's for OUTA SPACE I was watching the video unfold. I won't say much more until the video is ready in a few weeks time. On the left are a few of the pupils who are using their Discovery boxes for the meal served at break time. In the picture below the children all gathered to thank Rotary for the soap and towels donated. Part of the funding was received from the Rotary Club of Hawthorn,

